

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to and/or rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments, remarks and attachments herewith.

This amendment merely amends claims 17-18 and 28-29 to correct minor errors in dependency, claims 10, 13, 22 and 28 to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention and claim 30 to correct a minor typographical error and adds two claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalent. No new matter is added. Any additional claim fee, or any overpayment in such fees, may be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Accordingly, in view of the amendments and remarks herewith and the amendments, remarks and attachments previously filed, the application is in condition for allowance.

Early and favorable reconsideration of the application and withdrawal of the restriction requirement and of the rejections, and prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

In addition, if any issue remains as an impediment to allowance, an interview, prior to the issuance of another Office Action, is respectfully requested; and, the Examiner is additionally respectfully requested to telephonically or electronically contact the undersigned to arrange a mutually convenient time and manner for such an interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

10. (Amended) A process for the manufacture of a transdermal system according to claim 1 wherein in a freely selectable order, an adhesive layer is applied to a protective layer, an active-ingredient-containing polymer layer optionally having perforations is applied to the adhesive layer, a further adhesive layer is optionally applied [below] above the polymer layer, and a cover layer is applied to the top layer.
13. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a net, a non-woven fabric or a woven fabric.
17. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim [4] 1 wherein the water-soluble polymer is a cellulose ester or derivatives thereof.
18. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim [4] 1 wherein the water-soluble polymer is a cellulose ether or derivatives thereof.
22. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim 11, wherein the water-vapour-impermeable material is polypropylene or polyethylene.
28. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim [15] 1, wherein the active ingredient is [testosterone or mixtures thereof] nicotine.
29. (Amended) A transdermal system according to claim [15] 1, wherein the active ingredient is nitroglycerine [or mixtures thereof].
30. (Amended) A method of treating Angina pectoris, nicotine withdrawal or testosterone deficiency [sypmtoms] symptoms by the administration of a transdermal system according to claim 1.